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NEBRASKA CROP PROGRESS AND CONDITION

LINCOLN, Neb. October 16, 2017 – For the week ending October 15, 2017, temperatures averaged near normal across eastern Nebraska, but four to eight degrees below normal in the west, according to the USDA's National Agricultural Statistics Service. Precipitation of less than an inch was scattered across a majority of the State; however, a few southeastern counties received over an inch of rain. Wet fields continued to slow harvest. There were 3.6 days suitable for fieldwork. Topsoil moisture supplies rated 2 percent very short, 7 short, 80 adequate, and 11 surplus. Subsoil moisture supplies rated 4 percent very short, 14 short, 76 adequate, and 6 surplus.

Field Crops Report: Corn condition rated 4 percent very poor, 9 poor, 23 fair, 46 good, and 18 excellent. Corn mature was 92 percent, near 95 last year and 93 for the five-year average. Harvested was 17 percent, behind 32 last year, and well behind 39 average.

Soybean condition rated 4 percent very poor, 9 poor, 26 fair, 49 good, and 12 excellent. Soybeans harvested was 33 percent, well behind 59 last year and 67 average.

Winter wheat planted was 86 percent, behind 98 last year and 95 average. Emerged was 66 percent, well behind 88 last year, and behind 72 average.

Sorghum condition rated 3 percent very poor, 2 poor, 20 fair, 53 good, and 22 excellent. Sorghum mature was 92 percent, behind 98 last year, but equal to average. Harvested was 22 percent, well behind 49 last year, and behind 34 average.

Alfalfa fourth cutting was 92 percent complete, ahead of 86 last year.

Dry edible beans harvested was 75 percent, behind 94 last year and 89 average.

Proso millet harvested was 73 percent, behind 92 last year.

Pasture and Range Report: Pasture and range conditions rated 3 percent very poor, 13 poor, 45 fair, 35 good, and 4 excellent.

Stock water supplies rated 1 percent very short, 4 short, 92 adequate, and 3 surplus.

Data for this news release were provided at the county level by USDA Farm Service Agency and UNL Extension Service.

Access the National publication for Crop Progress and Condition tables at:

<http://usda.mannlib.cornell.edu/usda/nass/CropProg/2010s/2017/CropProg-10-16-2017.pdf>

Access the High Plains Region Climate Center for Temperature and Precipitation Maps at:

<http://www.hprcc.unl.edu/maps.php?map=ACISClimateMaps>

Access the U.S. Drought Monitor at:

<http://droughtmonitor.unl.edu/CurrentMap/StateDroughtMonitor.aspx?NE>

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